

Homework 13

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1 Write a program to compute the derivative of $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2$ at any value of x .

```
deriv_limit <- function(func, x, h){  
  f <- function(x) {eval(parse(text = func))}  
  return((f(x + h) - f(x)) / h)  
}
```

```
deriv_limit(func = ('x^3 + 2*x^2'), x = 2, h = 0.000001)
```

```
## [1] 20.00001
```

```
deriv_limit(func = ('x^3 + 2*x^2'), x = 20, h = 0.000001)
```

```
## [1] 1280
```

Test using the analytic form

```
deriv_analytic <- function(func, val, var){  
  f_x <- D(parse(text = func), var)  
  assign(var, val)  
  return(eval(f_x))  
}
```

```
deriv_analytic(func = 'x^3 + 2*x^2', val = 2, var = 'x')
```

```
## [1] 20
```

```
deriv_analytic(func = 'x^3 + 2*x^2', val = 20, var = 'x')
```

```
## [1] 1280
```

Your function should take in a value of x and return back an approximation to the derivative of $f(x)$ evaluated at that value. You should not use the analytical form of the derivative to compute it. Instead, you should compute this approximation using limits.

2 Now, write a program to compute the area under the curve for the function $3x^2 + 4x$ in the range $x = [1, 3]$.

```
auc <- function(func, range = seq(from = 1, to = 3, by = 0.000001)){  
  return(sum((function(x) {eval(parse(text = func))})(range) * 0.000001))  
}  
auc(func = '3*x^2+4*x')
```

```
## [1] 42.00002
```

You should first split the range into many small intervals using some really small δx value (say $1e-6$) and then compute the approximation to the area under the curve.

3 Please solve these problems analytically (i.e. by working out the math) and submit your answers.

3.1 Use integration by parts to solve for $\int \sin(x)\cos(x)dx$

Substitute $u = \cos(x)$ and $du = -\sin(x)dx$: $-\int u du$

$$u = \frac{u^2}{2}$$

$$\text{Therefore: } = -\frac{u^2}{2} + C$$

$$\text{Substitute back } u = \cos(x) : = -\frac{1}{2}\cos^2(x) + C$$

3.2 Use integration by parts to solve for $\int x^2 e^x dx$

For $e^x x^2$:

$$\int f dg = fg - \int g df$$

$$f = x^2, dg = e^x dx, df = 2x dx, g = e^x; = e^x x^2 - 2 \int e^x x dx$$

For $e^x x$: $\int f dg = fg - \int g df$ $f = x, dg = e^x dx, df = dx, g = e^x$: $= -2e^x x + e^x x^2 + 2 \int e^x dx$ The integral of e^x is e^x : $= e^x x^2 - 2e^x x + 2e^x + C$

3.3 What is $\frac{d}{dx}(x \cos(x))$?

Use the product rule, $\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = v \frac{du}{dx} + u \frac{dv}{dx}$ where $u = x$ and $v = \cos(x)$: $= \cos(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx}(x) \right) + x \left(\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(x)) \right)$

The derivative of x is 1: $= \cos(x) + x \left(\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(x)) \right)$ The derivative of $\cos(x)$ is $-\sin(x)$: $= \cos(x) - \sin(x)x$

3.4 What is $\frac{d}{dx}(e^{x^4})$?

Use the chain rule, $\frac{d}{dx}(e^{x^4}) = \frac{de^u}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$, where $u = x^4$ and $\frac{d}{du}(e^u) = e^u = e^{x^4} \left(\frac{d}{du}(x^4) \right)$ Use the power rule, $\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$, where $n = 4$: $\frac{d}{dx}(x^4) = 4x^3$: $= 4x^3 e^{x^4}$